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In re Application of:

Patrick L. Von Behren

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For: MOTION ANALYSIS METHODS  
AND SYSTEMS FOR MEDICAL  
DIAGNOSTIC ULTRASOUND

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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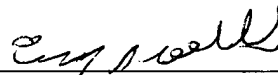
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Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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**REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	A1	4,458,688	07/10/1984	Von Behren		
	A2	5,638,820	06/17/1997	Chen et al.		
	A3	6,258,029	07/10/2001	Guracar et al.		
	A4	6,368,277	04/09/2002	Mao et al.		
	A5	6,464,640	10/15/2002	Guracar et al.		
	A6	6,558,324	05/06/2003	Von Behren et al.		
	A7	6,626,836	09/30/2003	Mao et al.		

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	A8	"Echocardiographic Evaluation of Left Ventricular Wall Motion Using Still-Frame Functional Parametric Imaging," by Enrico G. Caiari, Roberto M. Lang, Jeanne DeCara, Keith A. Collins, Claudia E. Korcarz, Lynn Weinert, James E. Bednarz, and Victor Mor-Avi; University of Chicago, Illinois; Abstract: 1064-133; Citation February 2001, Vol. 37, No. 2, Supplement A; Pgs. 1A-648AEcho Assessment of Regional and Global Function; Orange County Convention Center.				
	A9	"Echocardiographic Phase Analysis: Timing of the Cardiac Cycle Using Left Atrial Motion," by Susheel K. Kodali et al.; University of California, San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; American College of Cardiology; Abstract; Control/Tracking No. 04-A-299907-ACC; printed on September 17, 2003.				
	A10	"Ventricular Synchrony As Determined By Phase Analysis Correlates with Ejection Fraction," by Susheel, K. Kodali et al.; University of California, San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; American College of Cardiology; Abstract; Control/Tracking No. 04-A-298236-ACC; printed on September 17, 2003.				
	A11	"Two-Dimensional Echocardiographic Phase Analysis," by Helmut F. Kuecherer, et al.; Circulation Vol. 85, No. 1; dated January 1992; pgs. 130-142.				

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